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**For Immediate Release**

**City Recognized for Excellence in Financial Reporting 24 Years in a Row**

**Wylie, TX, October 4, 2013** – The City of Wylie has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year 2011-2012. The award marks the 24th year in a row that Wylie has been honored with the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

“We are very proud to be recognized for 24 consecutive years,” says City Manager Mindy Manson. “It is a true testament to our staffs’ commitment to transparency and excellence in reporting.”

Reports submitted to the CAFR program are reviewed by selected members of the GFOA professional staff and the GFOA Special Review Committee (SRC). The SRC is comprised of an impartial panel of public-sector financial statement preparers, independent auditors, academia, and other finance professionals. The CAFRs are judged on a set of standards including their ability to demonstrate a constructive “spirit of full disclosure”; effectiveness in communicating the entity’s financial story; and ability to motivate potential users to read the CAFR.

The GFOA established the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program in 1945. The goal is to encourage and assist governments to go beyond the minimum accepted accounting principles and prepare CAFR’s of the highest quality

according to a stringent set of guidelines; and to recognize individual governments that succeed in achieving that goal.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 17,500 government finance professionals. The City of Wylie CAFR is posted at [www.WylieTexas.gov](http://www.WylieTexas.gov) > Departments > Finance.

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About Wylie -- Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall Counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 43,000) is one of the fastest growing communities in the State of Texas with a 184% increase since 2000.